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THERE never was any Set of People so much obliged to the Quickneſs of their Imaginations as thoſe who form an Oppoſition to the Meaſures taken by the Adminiſtration at preſent: The greateſt and moſt evident Bleſſings, the faireſt and moſt promiſing Proſpects, are to them Objects of Horror and Diſquiet, againſt which they are forced to ſhut their Eyes, and at the ſame Time rack their Brains for ſome frightful Story which they may tell about and vouch for Truth, in order to pleaſe themſelves with the Apprehenſions of thoſe ignorant Creatures who are weak enough to give Credit to their Fables, and to be ſtartled at Chimeras which never had, or never will have Being. Happy is it for the wiſer Part of the Nation, that their Welfare or Tranquility no way depends upon ſuch Notions, but that they are able to divert themſelves with theſe childiſh Dreams, and to repoſe themſelves ſecurely on the Wiſdom of his Majeſty and his Miniſters, beholding Affairs in their true Light, according as they are repreſented to them by the Proceedings of the Legiſlature, and never turning their Eyes aſide to look after Couriers who never came, or to ſearch for Pacquets which were never written.

As the Temper of the preſent Age ſeems to have a peculiar Turn towards Raillery, I have often thought that a ſuccinct Hiſtory of the falſe Facts invented by the Patriots, digeſted into Chronological Order, under the Title of *Annals* of the *Oppoſition*, would afford a good deal of Diverſion. We might from thence learn the Art of calculating Flams for all Seaſons of the Year. As for Example; how to raiſe the Rumour of an Invaſion in the Summer; how to forge Articles of Enquiry fit for the Notice of Parliament in the Winter; how to equip Fleets upon idle Errands in the Spring; and how to foreſee dark and diſmal Deſigns which are to be put in Practice in the Autumn. We might be informed of the true Method of miſcalculating the publick Debts; of the genuine Art of miſrepreſenting Treaties; and of the grand Secret of making Anſwers for Crown'd Heads, of which themſelves nor their Miniſters never thought. Such a String of Curioſities muſt certainly pleaſe an intelligent Reader, and give him a high Idea of the *Arcana* of *Patriotiſm*. But ſuch a Work as this muſt not be expected ſoon, ſince the *Craftſmen* are already ſwell'd to *Fourteen Volumes*, and *Common Senſe* is imitating his Brother *D'Anvers* in this Particular as faſt as he can. From ſuch voluminous Records, every-where abounding with Matter, it will certainly be a laborious Task to draw out all the *Prophecies* that were never *fulfilled*, all the *Articles* of *Advice* which were without *Foundation*, and all the *Facts* aſſerted by ſuch as never *believed* them.

THIS laſt Winter, however, ſeems to have demanded more than ordinary Supplies of theſe *Sorts* of *Goods*. Before the Parliament ſat, we had a large *Cargo* of *Stories* relating to the *Convention*: It was poſitively ſaid, that it ran counter to the Votes and Addreſſes in the preceding Seſſions: It was inſinuated to be *diſhonourable* to the Nation and *deſtructive* of *Trade*; and this not only in the *Coffeehouſes* about *Change*, or in certain *Walks* in *St. James's Park*, but in Places where premeditated Falſhoods ought never to be heard, and where it was equally ridiculous and ſcandalous to publiſh Stories of what at that Time *had not been ſeen*. When the *Convention* became publick, then we had a *new* Set of *Inventions* relating to *ſecret Tranſactions*, *ſecret Promiſes*, and *ſecret Articles*; but with reſpect to theſe, nobody to this Hour appears to have been let into the *Secret*. The *Convention* remains juſt where it did, and the contracting Parties are firmly reſolv'd to abide by it. Of late, indeed, a *new* Tale has been told, and to rouze the Nation out of that quiet Diſpoſition which was the Effect of a Parliamentary Inquiry, whereby the *Fitneſs* and *Expediency* of this Tranſaction was juſtified; the Subſtance of which *Tale* is, that the *Convention* will not take Place. As to the *why* or *wherefore*, we muſt ſtay for another *Expreſs*, or, in plain *Engliſh*, 'till ſomething plauſible can be *invented* on this Subject. In the Month of *January*, an honourable Perſon was reviled for making this *Convention*, which, as I ſaid, was held to be *diſhonourable* and *deſtructive* to the Nation; and ſo early as the latter End of *April*, we are told that nothing can be ſo *diſhonourable* or *deſtructive* to the Nation as the *breaking*, or, to uſe the Cant Word of the Faction, *The Blowing-up of the Convention*. This is certainly *odd* beyond Compariſon; the Party have in this *outdone* their uſual *Outdoings*; for that the *doing* of a thing ſhould be criminal from the the Conſequences of a thing's being *done*, and that its being *undone* ſhould be a Source of new and greater Miſchiefs, is a *Paradox* not to be digeſted by any but the *Oſtriches* of the *Oppoſition*, who have ſo accuſtomed themſelves to ſwallow Abſurdities, that they ſeem now to *boggle* at *Nothing*.

BUT the moſt ſurpriſing thing of all is the Behaviour of theſe Gentlemen on theſe Occaſions; when their *Stories* come out, and are too young to be falſify'd, then they are elate, and full of Spirits; they laugh, they jeſt, they triumph, they inſult. Why? Becauſe, for the preſent, it is looked upon as a thing certain, that their Country is on the *Brink* of *Deſtruction*. When their Inventions are detected, when all the World knows the Falſhood, and even themſelves have not the Face to aſſert it any longer, then they are ſunk and ſpiritleſs, peeviſh towards their Friends, outragious towards thoſe they call their Enemies, and out of Love with the very *Houſe* they *ſit in*: And *wherefore*? Why, truly, Things go as they ſhould do, *Order* and *Decency* are preſerved, *Treaſon* is not talk'd aloud, there are no *Riots* at *Weſtminſter*, no *Uproars* in the *City*. Melancholy Situation this! quiet at Home, and no ill News from Abroad, is to a Patriot the heavieſt Affliction; he ſighs, he mopes and torments himſelf till ſome ſtarving Scribbler broaches a *new Story* of Affronts from Foreign Princes plundering our Merchants Ships, or entering into felonious Treaties to ſteal away our Trade; then he ſhakes off the Vapours for a Day or two, bawls, bluſters, and bounces about, *damns* the *Miniſtry*, *toaſts* No *Search*, and wiſhes, with all his Heart, a *red-hot War* for the Honour of *Great Britain*. But, when his Heat is a little over, when he has Time to look about, and ſees there's neither *Swords* out in the *Field*, nor *Places* empty at *Court*, then the black Fit comes on again, and our Man of Honour is plaguily *diſturbed* becauſe the *Nation* is, and is like to continue *quiet*.

As for the *Adminiſtration*, were it not that thoſe concerned in it have a real Tenderneſs for the Bulk of the People of *England* in general, without excluding even their moſt violent Enemies, and the deluded Crowd of their Dependents, certainly they might divert themſelves with this Scene; for to a ſober Man, and in his perfect Senſes, what can be more pleaſant than to ſee a Drunkard playing over his Ape's Tricks, now laughing like a Madman, and now whining like an Ideot; one Moment fancying himſelf a great Man, the Head of his Company, and inveſted with a Power of providing for all who will humble themſelves ſo far as to aſk it; and, in half an Hour, all down in the Mouth, bewailing his own Poverty, and ſwearing that himſelf and his Neighbours are Beggars to a Man. Good-Nature indeed obliges one to pity ſuch a Perſon, to bear with his Noiſe, and to ſooth him in his ſullen Fits; in which reſpect, the preſent hath been the *beſt natur'd* Adminiſtration that the World ever ſaw: In the full Poſſeſſion of Power, it hath borne ſuch *Outrages* as were never offer'd to any other *Miniſtry*; in the midſt of Peace, Plenty, and a thouſand other Bleſſings of its own procuring, it hath been diſturbed with the Sighing and the Sobbing of thoſe who are pleaſed with no good Things but what are of their own procuring. Theſe, and numberleſs other Provocations it hath ſuſtain'd, becauſe having loved *Liberty*, and having been eſtabliſhed by *Liberty*, it could not think of puniſhing Licentiouſneſs leſt *Liberty* ſhould be wounded thereby.

BUT while the Adminiſtration looks with Compaſſion on the Infirmities of the Faction, the leſs concerned People of *Britain* will certainly divert themſelves at their Expence: They will deride the ſilly Attempts which are daily made to debauch them from their Duty, and to withdraw them from obſerving their true Intereſt; they will have a juſt Contempt for that harden'd Aſſurance with which theſe known and ſo often detected Liars publiſh their new Stories, and demand Credit for ſuch Abſurdities, as none but themſelves would have Impudence enough to publiſh; they will turn upon theſe Scoffers the Quickneſs of their own Behaviour, and treat their ſtudied Diſcourſes with that Diſdain which they affect towards thoſe who take the Pains to refute them, and who are unwilling to gain the Reputation of Wits at the Expence either of their Religion or Loyalty.

As to the more conſiderate Part of Mankind, who fix their Eyes on publick Affairs with that real Concern which they deſerve, and who apply themſelves to that rational Study of Politicks which is not only lawful, but commendable among a free People, they will conſider this Matter as it ought to be conſider'd; they will remember how often the *Malecontents* have endeavoured to *impoſe* upon them in the ſame Manner; and, they will alſo remember, how many Years together the *preſent Miniſtry* hath ſecured to this Nation *Peace* and *Plenty*, if they would have thought fit to have *injoy'd it*; they will reflect on that open and profeſſed *Joy* which thoſe in the *Oppoſition* have conſtantly diſcover'd whenever publick Affairs have had a *cloudy Aſpect*; and, they will reflect likewiſe on the Skill and Prudence of thoſe, who, in Spight of our *Enemies* at *Home* and *Abroad*, have, for Twenty Years together, protected us from feeling *ill Weather*; they will advert to the *Ends* which the *preſent Patriots* now propoſe to themſelves, *viz.* The ſeeing the Nation plung'd in a *foreign War*, and in *domeſtick Troubles*; and they will advert to the *ſole Point* the Miniſtry have even kept in View, which is, the maintaining us, ſo far as it depends on them, in a *State* of *Tranquility*, and in a Condition of making ourſelves *happy* in our *Circumſtances*, and *revered* by our *Neighbours*; which, that they may continue to do, will be the Prayer of every honeſt Man.

R. FREEMAN.

AMERICA.

Boſton, March 1. A Veſſel is arriv'd here from South Carolina, by which we learn, that the Small-Pox ſtill continues in that Province, and that ſeveral Perſons inclining to inoculate for it, the Aſſembly has made an Act, forbidding, upon ſevere Penalties, any Perſons to inoculate within two Miles of Charles-Town.

On Monday Evening, from between Eight and Nine o'Clock, till paſt Ten, we had very ſevere Thunder and Lightning, which ſtruck the Top of Mr. Lee's Chimney, and threw down near a Cart Load of the Bricks; it proceeded down the Funnel into the Chamber where Mr. Lee's Corpſe lay, and burſt off the Corniſh of the Mantle-Tree, then continued its Courſe down the Chimney as far as the lower Room, where it burſt through the Bricks into a Cloſet, the Window of which is broke to Pieces, and ſome Part of the ſulphurious Matter went quite into the Cellar, but did little or no Damage.

There never was known in theſe Parts, in the Memory of the oldeſt Perſons among us, ſuch a violent Storm of Thunder and Lightning of ſo long Continuance, or more extenſive, at this Time of the Year; it being very extreme, as we have heard, even as far as Connecticut.

We have Advice from Province Town, at Cape-Cod, that the Whaling Seaſon is now over with them; in which there has been taken in that Harbour ſix ſmall Whales, and one of a larger Size, about ſix Foot Bone; beſides which, 'tis ſaid, two ſmall Whales have been killed at Sandwich, which is all that has been done of that Buſineſs in the whole Bay.

South Kingſton in Narraganſet, Feb. 6. Mrs. Mary Haſzard, Widow of Mr. Robert Haſzard, and Grandmother to the deceaſed George Haſzard, Eſq; late Deputy Governor of Rhode Iſland departed this Life the 28th Day of January laſt in the Hundred Year of her Age: She was decently interr'd the Wedneſday following. This Gentlewoman has had Five hundred Children, Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren; and has now left behind her living Two hundred and Five of the aboveſaid Number. She was eſteem'd a very uſeful Perſon both to Poor and Rich

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on many Accounts, particularly in Case of Sickness,, having good Skill and Judgment; and she did all gratis

Boston, March 8. We have Advice, by Capt. Montgomery from the Bay, That Capt. Gwynn, in a Vessel belonging to this Place, was taken by the Spaniards.

That a Spanish Sloop, bound from Wartemal, in the Gulph of Honduras, to the Havanna, very richly laden, was lost in her Passage; the Men made shift to get upon a Maroon Island, where most of them were famished. That Capt. Darby, of Rhode-Island, who sail'd from hence last Fall, having Information whereabouts the Wreck lay, went to it and took up 7000 Pieces of Eight, 500 Pistoles, a Silver Tea-Table, a Gold Cup, several Crucifixes of great Value, and sundry other Plate. Capt. Darby had also rais'd up an Iron Chest, suppos'd to contain Pieces of Eight, but, being in a Boat and the Wind high, he was obliged to let it go, rather than so greatly endanger their Lives, as they must have done, to get it in. Capt. Darby took the Spaniards, among whom was a Priest, off the Island, and carried them into the Bay. 'Tis said there were three Chests of Silver left in the Wreck, which 'tis suppos'd Darby will make another Attempt to obtain. He intends to sail with this Booty for Hamburgh.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Chester, May 2. Yesterday the Assizes ended for this County, when two Persons were capitally convicted, and order'd for Execution, viz. James Taylor for the Murder of John Clark, and James Moss for Burglary and Felony; three order'd for Transportation, one burnt in the Hand, and one order'd to be whipp'd; and one Catherine Smith, a Fortune-Teller, was fined 61 6s. 6d, and to be imprison'd for six Months, for cheating and defrauding a silly weak Woman of the same Sum, under Pretence of telling her Fortune, three were acquitted.

Bristol, May 5. Yesterday about 11 o'Clock Mr. John Kimmarly, and John Philips, the two Persons that receiv'd Sentence of Death at the late General Gaol Delivery for this City and County, were convey'd by a Guard of Constables from Newgate, in a Mourning Coach and Four, attended by a Reverend Divine, to the usual Place of Execution on St. Michael's-Hill ——From the Time Mr. Kimmarly enter'd upon the Cart till his Execution was finished, 'twas about an Hour and an Half; and tho' the Rope broke three Times, and his Neck was much hurt by the Ropes, besides being bruised by his Falls, so that his Shirt was stained with Blood, yet, during all the Time, he behaved with great Christian Courage, and employ'd each Interval, while other Ropes were providing, in solemn Addresses to Heaven, forgiving and begging Forgiveness of all Men The fourth Time he got upon the Cart, he again address'd himself to the People, and confess'd the killing Mr. James Burgess; but that he had no Design so to do, nor any Malice towards him, and attributed his Misfortune to the common Consequence of keeping bad Company, which he hop'd all Men would be warn'd against. ——As to John Philips, he all along behav'd very stupid, and deny'd the Fact for which he suffer'd.

HOME PORTS.

Portsmouth, May 7. Yesterday sailed the Hopewell, Page; the Thomas and William, Price; and the Elizabeth, Morgan, all with Wheat for Caen.

Deal, May 7. Wind S. W. Remain the King's Ten Ships and Sloops, with the Elizabeth, King, for St. Christopher's; the Fair Trader, Ray; and the Edward and Mary, Litler, for Dublin; the Prince, Bowles, for Carolina; the Sarum, Perkins, for New England; the Charming Sally, Daniel, for Spain; the Pegasus, Ramsey, for Canso; the Truro, Francis, for Falmouth. Arrived the Cape Bonetta, Wheatle, from Jamaica; the Golden Eagle, Hinton, from Leghorn; and the Leopard Snow, Homans, from Carolina and Cowes for Rotterdam.

Gravesend, May 7. Passed by the N. S. del Carmen del Valle, from Bilboa; the Isaac and Elizabeth, Mathews, from Guernsey; the Providence and Hannah, Perry, from Norway; the New England, Hall, from New England; the Neptune, Mays, from Zant; the Albany, Bryant, from New York; the Middleburgh Packet, Moodie, from Middleburgh; and the Jenny, Clowes, from Oporto.

Arrived at several Ports.

The Neptune, Mayes, from Zant; and the Happy Return, Postgate, from Cette, at Dover; this last is bound for Holland.

The Lancaster, Walker, from Lancaster; the New Savanna, Talbot, from London and Gibraltar; and the Mary Ann, Godber, from London and Cork, at Jamaica.

The Elizabeth, Bryant, from Oporto at Bristol.

LONDON.

The George and William, Capt. Austell, who arrived at Cowes the latter End of April last from Carolina, after taking out her Rice in order to re-ship the same for Holland, overset in the Harbour of Cowes, and there sunk.

The Ship commanded by Capt. Otter, bound from Hull to Riga, is lost on the Coast of Norway.

Yesterday at the Sessions at Guildhall, John Hanna was try'd on an Indictment for wilful and corrupt Perjury on the Trial of Capt. Longdon, at the late Sessions of Admiralty; but the Prosecutor not being able to give Evidence of what the said Hanna swore, to the Satisfaction of the Court, he was acquitted.

Yesterday Morning died Mrs. Elliot, Wife of Mr. John Elliot, an eminent Merchant in Walbrook. She was Daughter of —— Bellowes, Esq; on whose Plan the London Workhouse was established.

Last Monday the Earl of Portmore's Grey Gelding, and Mr. Green's Bay Mare, started at Epsom for the Purse of 40 Guineas, which was won by the former.

The same Day a Carman was killed in Oxford Road by a Hogshead of Wine which fell upon him as he was assisting in taking it out of the Cart.

Yesterday Morning died, in the 23d Year of his Age, at Ewell in Surry, the Rev. Mr. William Talbot, M. A. a young Gentleman lately enter'd into Holy Orders.

Yesterday Morning about Three o'Clock a Fire broke out at the Stables of the White-Hart Inn in Whitechapel, which burnt with great Fury; and altho' all Endeavours were used to keep it under, it consumed the said Stables, and the Workhouse of a Colourman in the Corner of the said Inn; and damag'd the Houses adjacent.

Yesterday two Journeymen Dyers near St. Mary Overy's being Joaking with each other, the one took the other's Hat off and flung it into the hot boiling Dye-Kettle, and the other endeavouring to take it out unfortunately fell in, and was scalded to Death.

BANKRUPTS.

Charles Hughes, late of Hounsditch, London, Brewer.

Thomas Young, of Bridgewater Gardens, London, Chapman.

Richard Hayton, of London, Hosier.

Thomas Ryder, of Newton-Abbot, Devonshire, Serge-maker.

Richard Webb, of Fromeselwood, Somersetshire, Clothier.

High Water this Day at London Bridge.	Morning	Evening
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Bank Stock 141 1-half. India 167 1-4th. South Sea 99 1-4th. Old Annuity 110 7-8ths. New ditto 110 1-half. Three per Cent. 105. Seven per Cent. Loan 109 3-4ths. Five per Cent. ditto 92 3-4ths. Royal Assurance 101 1-half. London Assurance 12 1-half. African 13 1-half. India Bonds 6l. 1s. Premium. South Sea ditto, 2l. 3s. Premium. Bank Circulation 2l. 15s. Premium. Salt Tallies 1-half to 1 1-half Premium. English Copper 3l. 5s. Welsh ditto 15s. Three 1-half per Cent. Exchequer Orders 5 per Cent. Prem. Three per Cent. ditto 1 half per Cent. Discount. Million Bank 121 1-half.

Hand-in-Hand Fire-Office.

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General Post-Office, London, May 2. 1739.

SINCE the Publishing of the Advertisement of the 30th of April, the Post-Master General having received a further Information and Description of the Person who committed the Robbery therein mentioned, it is thought necessary to acquaint the Publick with the same.

Whereas the Post-Boy bringing the West Mail to London, was, on Saturday the 28th of April, about Half an Hour past Eleven o'Clock at Night, in the Road between Haselborough and East-Chinnock near Broadbridge, stopt by a Man, who asked him, if he was the Post, clapp'd a Pistol to his Head, led the Boy and Horse into a little Lane that leads to Middle Chinnock, and then dismounted him and tied his Hands behind him and Legs together, mounted the Horse, and carried off the Mail with the following Bags, viz.

Plymouth, Exeter, Lanceston, Dartmouth, Bodmin, Ashburton, Torness, Camelford, Okehampton, St. Collomb's, Truro, Crewkherne, Lyme, Axminster, Wellington, Minehead, Taunton, Ilminster, Bridport, Chard, Tiverton, Honiton and Barnstable.

The Post-Master General thinks proper to make it publickly known, That whoever shall apprehend the Person who committed this Robbery, will, upon Conviction, be intitled to a Reward of Two hundred Pounds, besides the Reward by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Accomplice in the said Robbery shall make a Discovery of the Person who committed the Fact, such Accomplice will be intitled to the said Reward of Two hundred Pounds, and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

The Person who robbed and rode away with the Mail was a little well-set Man, had on a dark Grey close-bodied Coat, a White Waistcoat, a White Wig, a cocked-up Hat, and a White Pair of Gloves.

N. B. *The* Yeovil *Bag is come to Hand.*

By Order of the Post-Master General.

J. D. BARBUTT, Secretary.

LOST on Saturday Night, the 28th of April last, one Solu Bank Bill for Twenty Pounds, No. 3618. dated the 1st of September last, sign'd by John Waite, payable to the Right Hon. the Lady Charlett Scott, or Order, three Days after sight, and endorsed by the said Lady Charlett Scott; whoever has found the same, and will bring it to Malcher's Coffee house in Friday-street, shall have Half a Guinea Reward, and no Questions ask'd. Lost at the same Time, one Bill of Exchange, drawn by Samuel Follet of Topsham, the 27th of April last, upon Thomas Rusfield of London, for 72l. 15s. payable to Thomas Perkins and Comp. or Order, 21 Days after Date. And also two Notes for 50l. each, each Note sign'd jointly, by Henry Stampford and Philip Phillips, dated London 19th of April last, payable to Thomas Bush, or Order. If the said Bills or Notes are offer'd in Payment, pray refuse the same; and if any Person has found them, and will bring them to the Place above-mention'd, shall have Five Shillings Reward for each, and no Questions ask'd.

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